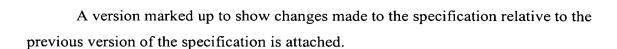
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On page 8, please replace paragraph [0030] with:

[0030] The device 10 is completed when the balloon portion 70 is attached to, or more specifically formed on, the valve portion 20. The balloon portion 70 comprises a balloon wall 74 which is preferably integral with the cylindrical sidewall 38. The balloon wall 74 begins at approximately the ridge 56 and extends all the way over the end portion 40 and also over the opening 42. Additionally, the balloon portion includes a meniscus plug 76 which fills in the opening 42 and prevents liquid silicone solution from entering the inner chamber 72 during the dipping procedure. Once the balloon portion 70 is attached to the valve portion 20, the inner chamber 72 is defined by the cylindrical sidewall 38, the meniscus plug 76, the valve stem 26, and the web 44.



In the Drawings:

Enclosed for the Examiner's consideration is a marked up copy of Figure 2. The change is shown in red. The correction changes the lead line for reference character 36. The drawing change merely conforms the drawing to the originally filed specification. Formal drawings that incorporate this change are also included for the convenience of the Examiner.

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 11 as follows:

11. (Once Amended) A self-sealing medical balloon of unitary construction, implantable in a human body, comprising:

a cylindrical valve body having a predetermined diameter and an upper side and a lower side;

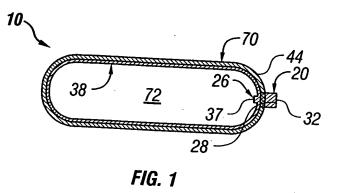
an inlet defined by said valve body lower side;

a cylindrical valve stem extending upwardly from said valve body, said valve stem having a diameter smaller than said valve body diameter;





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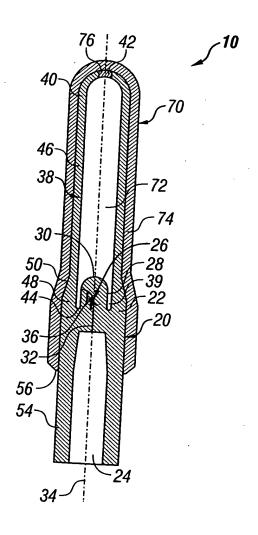


FIG. 2